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June Newsletter

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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

June already! Wow, how this year is flying by.

As I write this I look forward to my first night as “Where’s Michele?” I so enjoy connecting – even if it’s only for a few minutes each week – to everyone during these summer months outside of Sundays. We all are busy trying to take advantage of as many nice summer weekends as we can so I know that for some of you a quick connection on Wednesdays is perhaps all you can work in. That works for me too!

As you do enjoy your time outdoors and with friends and family I ask that you remember and be thankful for all that God has blessed you with. I will be saying farewell to a dear friend in the next few days who was tragically killed, with his 10 year old daughter, in a car accident. He was a classmate of mine in seminary and I have to admit, us pastors are really struggling with the why and why now questions. See, the doubts and the questions can even come from those who you look to when they come up in your lives. It really can be hard to understand and trust God’s plans at times and yet those are indeed the times that you must trust the most.

I hope that you can find time to appreciate the summer months and still find time to appreciate the love of God and all the gifts we have been given through our faith in the Lord. Enjoy the sun and fun but keep in touch – send me your lake pictures, skiing pictures, hiking pictures – whatever and however you find enjoyment. I look forward to us all being back together again in September to kick off another great Perley Parish Church year!

Blessings to you! - Pastor Michele

June at a glance

- ❖ Sunday, June 6 at 9am –Nora
- ❖ Monday, June 7th – Nora Council Meeting at 6:30 pm
- ❖ Sunday, June 13th at 9am – Kirkebo Council Meeting following service
- ❖ Sunday, June 20th at 9am – Nora –
Outdoor service
- ❖ Monday, June 21st from 5:00-7:00
Food Shelf BBQ of thanks at Kirkebo
- ❖ Sunday, June 27th at 9am – Kirkebo
Outdoor Service

Perley Parish Food Shelf

The food shelf continues to serve many families in our area and is still in need of the following:

- Toiletries and Personal Items
- Paper products

Collection baskets are located in each church entrance.
NEW HOURS – Thursdays from 5:30-7:30

Old Fashioned BBQ of Thanks

The Perley Parish Food Shelf invites you to a community cook out on Monday, June 21st from 5:00-7:00 to thank everyone for their amazing support.

Summer Plans

We will continue with one service at 9AM each Sunday:
1st & 3rd Sundays at Nora
2nd & 4th Sundays at Kirkebo.

The first and second Sundays each month will be held and streamed from inside and the 3rd and 4th services will be held and streamed outdoors (weather permitting of course). Bring your lawn chair on the outdoor service Sundays to enjoy the weather and gather together in the sunshine – yes sunshine!

In our thoughts and prayers

Margie Thompson, Sonja Meline, Roger Meline, Jeff Loe, Marlis Ziegler, Kirk Stevenson, Evonne Barnum, Byron Heckman and Whitney. *IF we have missed someone please let us know so we can update this list.*

Looking for ideas

As we begin to consider ways to build our congregations and our church funds the councils are seeking ideas and input from you for events and fundraisers that we could do at our churches.

Nora members – would you like to try to turn back the clock and have a Bazaar and Bake sale day in the fall? Contact Claudia Cleveland or Maureen Bjerke.

Kirkebo members – BINGO was fun should we do it again or can you think of something else to try?? Contact Carolyn Nelson or Rose Goble

PLEASE consider ideas and opportunities that you think would be supportive of our churches, events that you would like to be a part of leading, planning or executing,

and ways in which we can get more people involved in our amazing churches.



Each Wednesday night through August 18th at 7pm on Facebook Live.

What is it?? A 15-20 minute story time/devotional
Where? Wouldn't you like to know.....??

Each week following our time together you are encouraged to email/message in where you believe I have been streaming from – I'll be visiting places that have unique and fun things to show you. All guesses throughout the summer will be put into a drawing for a gift card prize in August. All locations will be within a 30 mile radius of Perley/Gardner.

Guesses can be sent to perleyparish@gmail.com, mjenson001@luthersem.edu or call into the office at 218-861-6541.

Giving Made Easy

As we continue to announce and hear through our correspondences – our churches need to get caught up on their budget shortfalls. COVID and not-meeting in person caused our budgets and savings to be depleted so it is imperative that we work on building them back up again.

During these summer months – when you may not be able to make it into the sanctuary – please consider making your offering donations by mail, or by simply going to <https://perleyparish.org/give/> and click on the links to make your offering and donations to Kirkebo and/or Nora Lutheran Churches online. Did you know that you can also donate to the Food Shelf there as well.

Save the Dates: Sunday, July 25th – 9am Kirkebo and Sunday, August 15th – 9am Nora will be blessed with an **Outdoor Old Fashioned Church** service. Enjoy great music by Testify and food/fellowship following the service.



"The Journey Ahead" will be broadcast by the NW MN Synod on Saturday, June 12th from 9:00 to 12:30. We will be looking at ways and ideas for congregations to grow and become stronger in this changing world. Join Pastor Michele to attend the meeting virtually from Kirkebo – everyone is invited to do so!!!!